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From

The District Magistrate Chitaldrug &c

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Brief Abstract of Letter.

Suggests the desirability of framing rules under the Factories Regn, 1892 requiring the factories to keep fire-extinguishers

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Submitted with a copy of the Mysore Factories Regn and rules thereunder

There is no provision in the Regn enabling Govt to frame rules for this purpose

CK (68) 3 Please look up the Manual

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and Police Regulations &c. and find out whether there are any provisions therein for the necessary power.

4 [Please see also the new Indian Factories Act and note whether there are any such provisions there

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5 There is no provision in the Police Regn for compelling owners of factories to maintain fire-engines on the premises.

6 In the Municipal Regn however See: 48 (1) (b) iii and section 61 read together gives power to enable the Municipal Councils with the previous sanction of the Govt to make, alter or rescind by-laws, but not so as to render them inconsistent with this Regn, prescribing conditions on or subject to which, and the circumstances in which, and the areas or localities in respect of which, licenses may be granted, refused, suspended or withdrawn for the use of any place not belonging

to the Municipal Council for any of the purposes mentioned in sec: 157 Section 157 (6) provides as follows:-

"If it be shewn to the satisfaction of the Municipal council that any building or place used or intended by any person to be used,

(c) as a manufactory or place of business of any other kind, from which arise, or which may involve risk of fire, is, or is likely by reason of such use and of its situation to become a nuisance to the neighbourhood, or is so used or is so situated as to be likely to be dangerous to life, health or property, the Municipal council may by written notice require the owner or occupier

(i) to use it in such manner or after such structural alterations as the Municipal council in such notice prescribe, so that it may not become or may be no longer, a nuisance or danger."

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Under this power therefore the Municipal Councils may perhaps pass by-laws with the previous sanction of the Govt making it a condition for the grant of license to permit ~~a factory being opened~~ any building being used as a factory to provide fire-engines as a precaution against fire.

The only provisions for precaution against fire in the New Factories Act 1911 are contained in sections 16 & 17 sec: 17 only ~~which~~ provides that "no person shall smoke, or use a naked light or cause or permit any such light to be used, in the immediate vicinity of any inflamable material in any factory. Section 16 of the act ~~provides~~ requires that each factory should be provided with fire escapes.

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16/8 I am not sure if even Sec 48 read with Sec 15 (1) (b) Municipal Regulation gives adequate power

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accidents refd to by him occurred. However it may be presumed that occurrences of that kind can be avoided by preventive action taken, as suggested above by the Municipality

15 The point will also be borne in mind when the Factories Regn comes up next for revision

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See 7 I am not sure if 15-1(ii) of the Munl Regn will be of any help. Perhaps the D-G's attention may be drawn to it We shall shortly be amending the Factories Regn when the point will receive due attention.

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Submitted with a draft letter

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14/9/11 20/9/11 No reply appears to be necessary but note the matters for attention when the

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Revesm of the bill is undertaken

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This may now be filed and then after so recording it it will be placed with the file re amendment of the Factories Regn

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From The District Magistrate Chitaldrug

To The Secretary to the Govt of Mysore, Revenue Dept Bangalore

Dated 26th July 11

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Enclosure No.

Suggesting the desirability of framing rules under the Factories Regulation requiring factories to keep fire extinguishers &c

No 47
Encl

District Magistrate's Office
Chitaldrug District.
Dated 26th July 911

From

K. Chandy, Esquire, B.A.,
District Magistrate
Chitaldrug District.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments
Bangalore

Sir,

In forwarding herewith a Copy of letter no: 423 dated 21st June 911, from the Assistant Magistrate of Davangere, reporting upon fire-accidents in certain Factories of Davangere I have the honor to State that as such accidents are becoming Common some precautions against them appear very

in the Factories Regulation and Rules empowering district magistrates to pass orders requiring the Factories to provide themselves with fire-engines or other means, or adequate provision in the Municipal Regulation to enable local authorities to pass needful orders no action can at present be taken in that direction

3. In the interests of safety to person or property I beg to suggest that a rule may be framed under Section 18 clause(8) of the Factories Regulation so as to require Factories to keep fire-extinguishers to meet emergencies

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant

K Mandy
District Magistrate
Chittaldrug District.

Letter no. 423 dated 21st June 1911, from the Sundur Magistrate Davanagere to the District Magistrate Chitaldrug

I beg to enclose herewith a report made by the Managing Engineer of the Spinning Factory owned by the South India and Mysore Manufacturing Company and press intimating the outbreak of a fire on their premises in this town

2. The cause of the fire seems to be, the escape of sparks from a portable engine worked vertically, in this place About Rs: 10,000 worth of cotton and 30 tons of wood Seem~~s~~ to have burned away In the confusion which ensued, and while bales were being thrown out a young man of about 22 years

had a fracture at the ankle bone and is under treatment in the Dispensary

3 There was a Similar fire accident Coupled with death in the ginning Factory belonging to Hammanthappa and Basalappa some time ago

4 The Companies must be made to have copious Supplies of water and also fire-extinguishers to cope with such accidents which are becoming frequent

The water Supply which these have, is got by drawing in Small pots from a well A good pump may be easily attached to the machinery, if they only make up their minds. None of these Factories keep a copious Supply of water

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K Mandy
District Magistrate
Chitaldrug District